

Lax oversight leaves surgery center regulators and patients in the dark.

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[High-profile failures](#) during office-based procedures have raised awareness of the potential safety hazards of surgery centers and the need for improved [oversight](#). This news article reports on safety events in [ambulatory surgical centers](#) and insufficiencies in incident reporting and analysis. Enhanced transparency regarding those failures can [enable](#) informed patient decision-making when choosing care providers.